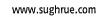
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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:

Application of Pascal AGIN and Remi DE MONTGOLFIER

A METHOD FOR IMPROVING PERFORMANCES OF A MOBILE RADIOCOMMUNICATION SYSTEM USING A POWER CONTROL

ALGORITHM

Assignee: ALCATEL Our Ref: Q-67999

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/348,005 (Confirmation No. NOT KNOWN) filed July 6, 1999 of Pascal AGIN and Remi DE MONTGOLFIER entitled A METHOD FOR IMPROVING PERFORMANCES OF A MOBILE RADIOCOMMUNICATION SYSTEM USING A POWER CONTROL ALGORITHM.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 5 sheets of drawing, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application.

Also enclosed are: 1) an Information Disclosure Statement including a PTO Form 1449 listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application; 2) a Submission of Corrected Formal Drawing containing three (3) sheets of corrected formal drawing (Figs. 1-5); and 3) a Preliminary Amendment.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2681.

Priority is claimed from:

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The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 09/348,005.

Please cancel claims 2-16.

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Please see the attached PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT before calculating the filing fee.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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A check for the statutory fee of \$992.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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